

SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

STANDING HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NO. 2018-9-E ORDER NO. 2018-35-H

MARCH 26, 2018

Standing Hearing Officer: David Butler

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)

MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Request of Counsel for the South Carolina Coastal Conservation League and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (together, "the Petitioners") for an Extension in the Comment Period on the 2018 IRP of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G")

STANDING HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:

Counsel for the Petitioners recognizes that comments are due on the 2018 SCE&G IRP on March 30, 2018. The Petitioners seek to submit written comments after receipt of answers to a data request with a response date of about April 5, 2018. The Petitioners also cite the complexity of integrated resource planning, and the issues raised by SCE&G's IRP as creating a concern that the current deadline will not allow sufficient time for careful review of the IRP, analysis of the IRP, and the thoughtful preparation of comments. Accordingly, Petitioners request a 35 day extension of the comment deadline until May 4, 2018. SCE&G and the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff have indicated that they do not object to the requested extension. Accordingly, the extension is granted and the Petitioners will have until May 4, 2018 to file comments on the 2018 SCE&G IRP.